## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 713 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Leslie Cristeen West, 2002 Valedictorian of Celina High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Cristeen West is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Celina High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, she has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. West has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Cristeen West has been a valuable participant in many organizations and programs at Celina High School, including serving as the Basketball Manager and as a member of the Beta Club, the C-Club, the English Club, the Science Club, the Math Club, and the 4-H Club; and

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WHEREAS, her extraordinary work ethic and perseverance have earned her numerous awards and honors, including Celina High School's Most Likely to Succeed and the American Mathematics Competition Champion for the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades; she has also been listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. West plans on studying Pre-Pharmacy at Tennessee Technological University; her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition at Celina High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Cristeen West's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Alan and Deborah West; her grandparents, the late Cristeen and Leslie West, Jr. and John and Erma Lee Gass; her school; and her community; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Celina High School Valedictorian, Leslie Cristeen West, on her impressive academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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